

AMENDMENT

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please amend paragraph 1 as follows:

A second type of stamped wheel includes a rim having only one wheel flange, and the other flange is an integral part of the wheel disc. Again, the disc flange and the rim flange define a region where the wheel diameter is maximum. Thus, the flange of the disc defines the maximum wheel diameter. These wheels are known as integrated wheels and have the advantage of providing a more attractive and elaborate ~~designs~~design, while keeping the manufacturing cost low.

On page 1, please amend paragraph 4 as follows:

This wheel was developed to be used on high performance vehicles, such ~~are as~~ sport cars, and the manufacturing cost is very high. The advantages of this wheel are, mainly, reduced weight due to the existence of the hollow spokes, the aggressive appearance, and the cooling efficiency of the brake system of the vehicle equipped.

On page 5, please amend the first full paragraph as follows :

The third external region 33 projects from the second intermediate region 32 and is annular in shape and concentric with the first central region 31 and the second intermediate region 32 of the wheel disc 3. The third external region 33 defines the end of the wheel disc 3, at which there is a first contact surface 20. As shown in Figure 5, the first contact surface defines an outer circumference of the wheel disc 3. The wheel disc 3 is manufactured in such that the first contact surface 20 cooperates with the wheel rim 2 and almost touches or slightly touches the wheel rim 2. This provides the impression that the wheel 1 is a single piece, like the integrated wheels and the wheels made from light-metal alloys.

On page 6, please amend the fourth full paragraph as follows:

The second concentric wall 36 includes a projection 37 that faces the internal surface of the wheel ~~disc 3~~rim 2, that is, that faces the wheel hub of the vehicle. The projection 37 defines a second contact surface 21 between the wheel disc 3 and the wheel rim 2. The second contact surface 21 is only present in the ventilation windows 16. Preferably, the projections 37 are substantially in form of an annular segment, but they may have other shapes as long as they are functional.

On page 7, please amend the third full paragraph as follows:

Moreover, the filling welding 41 can prevent moisture from entering the cavity ~~40~~23, thus prolonging the useful life of the wheel 1 and preventing possible corrosion problems.